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Tax Protestor Convicted by Waukesha Jury

A Waukesha County jury found Michael L. Gengler, 34, S86 W30643 Stonegate Dr, Mukwonago, guilty today of willful failure to file state income tax returns. The verdict was reached after a two day trial.

According to the criminal complaint, Gengler worked for Klockner KHS in Waukesha as an electrical engineer where he earned \$88,988 in 2005, \$89,649 in 2006 and \$102,000 in 2007.

The complaint further alleged that Gengler refused to file income tax returns for these years and instead sent the Department of Revenue documents stating he had no income.

During the trial, a witness from Klockner KHS produced copies of Gengler's 2005, 2006 and 2007 W-2 forms, or wage and tax statements. A loan officer from the Citizens Bank of Mukwonago also testified about a residential loan application that Gengler signed in 2004, where he stated his income was \$5,848 per month.

Gengler is scheduled to be sentenced on November 2, 2009 and faces up to 27 months in jail and \$30,000 in fines.

Gengler was prosecuted by the Waukesha County District Attorney's office after an investigation by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue's Criminal Investigation Section.

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